



# RECREATION & VISITOR SERVICES

BLM GRAND JUNCTION FIELD OFFICE



Increased population and visitation to the western slope continues to change communities, area economies and the character of adjoining lands’.

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Ⓢ The Grand Junction Field Office (GJFO) of the BLM has kicked off a planning effort that will amend the 1987 **Resource Management Plan (RMP)**, which will guide management for some of western Colorado’s most spectacular public lands.

Ⓢ Through this planning effort recreation planners will identify the physical, social and administrative settings that provide the recreation activities and experiences that visitors seek. These activities and experiences are intrinsically tied to quality of life issues that build stronger individuals, families and communities.

**We can’t do it alone.**

Ⓢ GJFO has teamed up with Mesa State College to assess visitor use preferences through informal interviews, focus groups and other visitor and community resident studies. The qualitative data collected will give recreation planners and managers great insight into how to plan and manage for what really matters to visitors and residents of local communities. Ultimately, the BLM will identify areas to be managed as Special Recreation Management Areas (SRMAs) and the remaining lands as Extensive Recreation Management Areas (ERMAs).

Ⓢ In SRMAs, the BLM will work collaboratively with local communities and other service providers to respond to structured recreation demand from identified markets. In these areas, staffing and funding will be focused on adding value to the lives of visitors, residents, communities and the environment.

Ⓢ In ERMAs, program investments are limited to those necessary to achieve identified custodial recreation management outcomes. This means simply taking care of things.

You can help...tell us what, when, where, why and how  
you recreate on your public lands!

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